

2000

ASTORIA OREGON'S
33RD ANNUAL

Scandinavian
MIDSUMMER
Festival



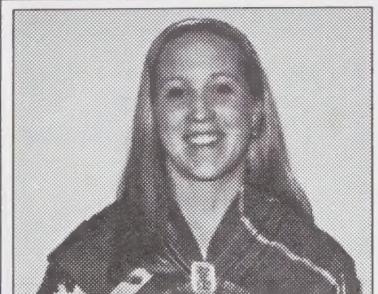
MISS DENMARK
Britta Lisken Anderson



MISS FINLAND
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MISS NORWAY
Valerie Ann Landwehr



MISS SWEDEN
Laurie Rae Kennell



MISS SCANDINAVIA 1999
Amanda Caldwell

We Welcome You to Experience
the Astoria Scandinavian Midsummer Festival!

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Coronation of Miss Scandinavia 2000

FRIDAY, JUNE 16, 2000 – 7:30 P.M.

Master of Ceremonies *Warren Bechtolt*
Presentation of Colors *Each National Anthem will
be sung as Flag and Princess enter.*

Presentation of 2000 Scandinavian Midsummer Festival Court

Miss Denmark	<i>Britta Lisken Anderson</i>
Junior Miss Denmark	<i>Brenda Marie West-Nielson</i>
Miss Finland	<i>Briita Lynn Blair</i>
Junior Miss Finland	<i>Niina M. Tila</i>
Miss Iceland	
Miss Norway	<i>Valerie Ann Landwehr</i>
Junior Miss Norway	<i>Helen Marie Johnson</i>
Miss Sweden	<i>Laurie Rae Kennell</i>
Junior Miss Sweden	<i>Andrea Marlo Phillips</i>
Crown Bearer	<i>Wilson Orr</i>
Senior Court Chaperone	<i>Sandy Kalander</i>
Junior Court Chaperone	<i>Sara Ellen Fulton Orr</i>
1999 Miss Scandinavia	<i>Amanda Caldwell</i>

Greetings	<i>City of Astoria</i>
Princess Speeches	<i>"What My National Heritage Means to Me"</i>
Presentation	<i>Honored Guests</i>
Dance Selections	<i>Viking-Nordic Folk Dancers of Astoria</i>
Recognition	<i>Parents of Court</i>
Dance Selections	<i>Scandia Dancers of Astoria</i>
Scholarship Presentation	<i>Faith Swanson & Carole Lyngstad</i>
Farewell Speech	<i>Amanda Caldwell</i>
Introduction	<i>Coronation Ceremony Judges</i>
Crowning	<i>Miss Scandinavia 2000</i>
Acceptance Speech	<i>Miss Scandinavia 2000</i>

*Thanks to:
Anderson Jewelry for donating the Crown for the eleventh year.*

TORCHLIGHT PARADE AND HEX BONFIRE

Immediately following a short photo session of the Court, the Scandia Dancers and a parade of musicians will lead the Court in a torchlight procession to the parking lot south of the auditorium for the traditional hex burning ceremony and community sing-along.

According to Scandinavian folklore, tossing straw hexes into the flames of the bonfire brings good luck and freedom from evil spirits to those who pitch a straw doll into the fire.

During preparation for the 1980 Festival, the hexes were no where to be found and none were tossed into the bonfire. This maybe the reason why Miss Scandinavia 1980 had a terrible time keeping her crown on. The straw hexes are made each year by the Scandinavian Festival Court and volunteers.

QUEEN'S BALL

FRIDAY

9:00 p.m. to Midnight
in the Cafeteria.

Music by

"SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRY"
Coreen Bergholm, Leader
of Astoria, Oregon

Coffee and soft drinks will be
served by the
Viking-Nordic Folk Dance
parents in booth near
the cafeteria.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Astoria Midsummer Scandinavian Festival Association has revived our scholarship fund program of \$500.00

The scholarship is awarded based on citizenship, scholarship, school participation and involvement in the Scandinavian Midsummer Festival activities.

*In 1999 Stig Fremstad
was awarded the scholarship.*

Past Queens

- 1968 - Marjorie Yost
- 1969 - Carol Johansen
- 1970 - Sirpa Perkiomaki
- 1971 - Melissa Hill
- 1972 - Rhonda Lammi
- 1973 - Judy Angberg
- 1974 - Marianne Larson, *crowned Linda Sjoblom, reigned*
- 1975 - Karen Niemi
- 1976 - Kim Tinner
- 1977 - Gail Norrman
- 1978 - Tina Hess
- 1979 - Susan Edison
- 1980 - Leila Koskela
- 1981 - Sigrid Ness
- 1982 - Cheryl Cruzan
- 1983 - Julie Lampa
- 1984 - Ann Madsen
- 1985 - Marja Leena Tila
- 1986 - Donna Brunner
- 1987 - Shari Fay
- 1988 - Saara Carlson
- 1989 - Josie Hemeon
- 1990 - Kristen Jacobsen
- 1991 - Melissa Rose
- 1992 - Allea Thomas
- 1993 - Jenny Gustafson
- 1994 - Amy Goin
- 1995 - Kerry Stevenson
- 1996 - Niina Salo
- 1997 - Jaclyn O'Bryant
- 1998 - Caryn Nelson
- 1999 - Amanda Caldwell

National Anthems

STAR SPANGLED BANNER

Oh, say can you see by the dawn's
early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the
twilight's last gleaming?
Whose broad stripes and bright stars,
through the perilous fight
O'er the ramparts we watched,
were so gallantly streaming.
And the rockets' red glare; the bombs
bursting in air
Gave proof through the night that
our flag was still there.
Oh, say does that Star Spangled Banner
yet wave
O'er the land of the free, and the
home of the brave?

DENMARK

Der er et yndigt land, det staar
med brede bøge,
Naer salten osterstrand, naer
salten osterstrand.
Det Bugter sig i bakke dal, det
hedder gamle Danmark.
Og det er Frejas sal, og det er
Frejas sal.

FINLAND

Oi Maamme, Suomi, Synnyinmaa!
Soi sana kultainen.
Ei laaksoa, ei kukkulaa, ei vетta
rantaa rakkaampaa
Kuin Kotima taa pohjoinen, maa
kallis isien.

ICELAND

O, Guth vors lands, o lands vors guth!
Ver lofum thitt heilaga, heilaga nafn.
Ur solker fum himnanna hnyta
ther krans
Thinir herskarar timanna safn.
Fyrir ther er einn dagur sem
thusund ar
Og thusund ar dagur ei meir.
Eitt eilifhar smabлом meth
titrandi tar
Sem tilbithur guth sinn og deyr.
Islands thusund ar, islands thousand ar:
Eitt eilifhar smabлом meth
titrandi tar,
Sem tilbithur guth sinn og deyr.

NORWAY

Ja, vi elsker dette landet,
som det stiger frem,
Furet, verbitd over landet
med de tusen hjem.
Elsker, elsker det og tenker,
pa vor far og mor,
Og den saganatt som senker,
drommer pa vor jord.
Og den saganatt, som senker,
drommer pa vor jord.

SWEDEN

Du gamla, du fria, du Fjellhoga Nord.
Du tysta, du gladjerika skona!
Jag halsar dig vanaste land uppa jord,
Din sol, din himmel, dina angder grona,
Din sol, din himmel, dina angder grona.

Special Food & Drink

BEER GARDEN *By The Wet Dog*

Friday 6:00 p.m. - Midnight
Saturday Noon - 1:00 a.m.

FRIDAY *Beer Garden Entertainment:*

9:00 p.m. - Midnight Hey Guys & Gals

SATURDAY

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. "Scandinavian Country"

4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Sven & Jorgen

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. Ralph & Ray

9:00 p.m. - Midnight Hey Guys & Gals

SATURDAY BREAKFAST

*Served in the Cafeteria
and sponsored by the
Clatsop Association of
Realtors Scholarship Fund.*

Hours served:
7:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

MENU:
Ham, Scrambled Eggs and
All-You-Can-Eat Pancakes,
Coffee, Tea & Milk.

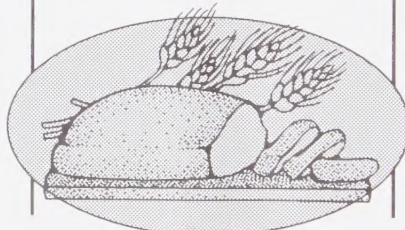
COST:
\$4.00 for Adults,
\$2.00 for
Children 6-12,
5 and Under Free!

SATURDAY LUNCH

*Served in the Cafeteria
and sponsored by the
Swedish Order of Vasa.*

Hours served:
11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

MENU:
Swedish Pea Soup & Rye
Bread. Coffee or Pop
COST: \$4.00



SATURDAY SCANDINAVIAN DINNER

*Served in the Cafeteria and
sponsored by the Swedish
Order of Vasa.*

Hours served
4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

MENU:
Swedish Meat Balls, Mashed
Potatoes & Gravy,
Red Cabbage, Green Beans,
Rye Bread, Dessert and a
Beverage.

COST: \$8.00 for Adults,
\$4.00 for Children 6-12,
5 and Under Free!

SUNDAY BRUNCH

Served in the cafeteria and sponsored by the Astoria Rotary Club.

Hours served: 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

MENU:

Pannukakku (Finnish Pancake), Danish Ham,
Fresh Fruit, Coffee, Tea & Milk.

COST: \$5.00 for Adults, \$3.00 for Children 6-12, 5 and Under Free!



2000 Raffle Prizes



Tickets: 1 for \$1.00 · 6 for \$5.00 · Book of 15 for \$12.00

Need Not Be Present To Win! · Maximum 7,500 Tickets Sold

Raffle Drawing - June 18, 2000, 4:00 p.m., Astoria High School Auditorium

Grand Prize:

2 ROUND TRIP TICKETS TO SCANDINAVIA

(Retail Value: \$2,080.00 · Certain Restrictions Apply)

donated by

Scandinavian Airlines & Scandinavian Midsummer Festival Association
Travel Arrangements through SUNDIAL TRAVEL - Astoria & Seaside

OR \$500 CASH

from Scandinavian Midsummer Festival Association

Other Donations:

Donated By:

Kosta Crystal Vase (rv \$65)	Swedish Vasa Lodge
Norwegian Sweater (rv \$175)	Lindco of Libby, MT
Amber Necklace (rv \$70)	Lower Columbia Danish Society
Needlework Book (rv \$29)	Bent Needle of Astoria
iittala Centerpiece Bowl (rv \$70)	Finn Ware of Astoria
Handmade Christmas Ornaments (rv \$70)	Viking Nordic Dancers of Astoria
Woolen Blanket (rv \$125)	Finnish Brotherhood
Fosse Troll (rv \$25)	T.M. Nilsen/Fosse Trolls of Portland
Hardanger Lace Porcelain Plate (rv \$25)	Art from the Heart of Brownsmead
\$50.00 Gift Certificate (rv \$50)	Hauke's Sentry Market
2000 Royal Copenhagen Annual Plate (rv \$73)	Aagesen's Imports of Cannon Beach
Norwegian Pewter Spoon (rv \$25)	Sons of Norway
Silver Ear Rings (rv \$45)	Desirée of Sweden, Remond, WA

Scandinavian Midsummer Festival Association Donations:

Swedish Candelier (rv \$48)
Norwegian Crystal Vase (rv \$40)
Finnish Wooden Bowl with Serving Spoons (rv \$52)
Finnish Crystal Plate (rv \$55)
Danish Wrought Iron Candleholders (rv \$34)
Wrought Iron Wall Candleholders (rv \$32)

TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED AT RAFFLE BOOTH IN GYM & CAFETERIA HALLWAY.

Drawing will be at the closing ceremony, Sunday, June 18 at 4:00 p.m.

Thank you to the merchants and lodges for their donations to the raffle.

Special Events

SATURDAY

10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.	<i>Booths Open in Gym</i>
10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.	<i>Barnefest - Gymnasium Mezzanine</i> <i>Fun Activities for kids.</i> <i>(Children 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult)</i>
10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	<i>Travel Films of Scandinavia by</i> <i>SUNDIAL TRAVEL of Astoria and Seaside, Oregon in the Band Room.</i> <i>Come in for Brochures and any questions.</i>
11:00 a.m.	<i>"Optog" Walking Parade - Downtown</i>
12:15 p.m.	<i>Flag Raising Ceremony - Center Lawn</i>
12:30 p.m.	<i>Midsummer Pole and Long Dance - Center Lawn</i>
2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	<i>SWEDISH Let's Talk Scandinavian!</i> <i>- Cafeteria Hallway</i>
2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.	<i>FINNISH Let's Talk Scandinavian!</i> <i>- Room 006 Booth Hallway</i>
3:45 p.m. to 4:45 p.m.	<i>DANISH & NORWEGIAN</i> <i>Let's Talk Scandinavian! - Room 006 Booth Hallway</i>
3:20 p.m.	<i>Parade of Native Costumes - Center Lawn</i>
8:00 p.m.	<i>Polka, Schottische, Waltz pre-dance Instructions -</i> <i>Helga Dellinger in the Cafeteria</i>

SATURDAY EVENING

7:00 p.m.	<i>Special Program in the Auditorium</i>
"THE SMILIN' SCANDINAVIANS"	
Introduction of Honored Immigrant from each Scandinavian Country	
Mistress of Ceremonies	<i>Senator Joan Dukes</i>
9:00 p.m. to Midnight	<i>Public Dance</i>
"The Smilin' Scandinavians"	

SUNDAY

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.	<i>Booths Open in Gym</i>
11:00 a.m.	<i>Traditional Scandinavian Church Service in the Auditorium</i>
11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.	<i>Travel Films of Scandinavia by SUNDIAL TRAVEL</i>
12:15 p.m.	<i>Flag Raising Ceremony - Center Lawn</i>
1:00 p.m.	<i>Featured Entertainment "The Smilin' Scandinavians"</i>
4:00 p.m.	<i>Closing Ceremony & Raffle Drawing in the Auditorium</i>

Continuous Entertainment

FRIDAY

7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.	<i>Coronation of Miss Scandinavia 2000 Torchlight Parade & Hex Bonfire</i>
8:00 p.m.	<i>Polka, Schottische, Waltz pre-dance Instructions - Helga Dellinger in the Cafeteria</i>
9:00 p.m. to Midnight	<i>Queen's Ball featuring "SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRY" - Coreen Bergholm, Leader</i>

SATURDAY

CENTER LAWN

1:00 p.m.	<i>Nordic Dancers</i> Astoria, Oregon
1:20 p.m.	<i>Viking Dancers</i> Astoria, Oregon
1:40 p.m.	<i>Scandia Dancers</i> Astoria, Oregon
2:00 p.m.	<i>VASA "Rosebuds" Youth Group</i>
2:20 p.m.	<i>Spirit Sing</i> Directed by Alexandra Lee Howard Myers
2:50 p.m.	<i>Katrille Finnish Folkdancers</i> Seattle, Washington
3:20 p.m.	<i>Parade of Native Costumes</i>
3:50 p.m.	<i>Nordlys</i> Hillsboro, Oregon
4:20 p.m.	<i>Arne Skogland</i> Accordion Music - Lake Oswego, Oregon
4:40 p.m.	<i>Kantsantansijat</i> Eugene, Oregon
5:10 p.m.	<i>Kantele of Naselle</i> Wilho Saari, Naselle, Washington
5:30 p.m.	<i>Dick Carlson & Barnes</i>

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1:00 p.m.	<i>Nordic Dancers</i> , Astoria, Oregon
1:20 p.m.	<i>Viking Dancers</i> , Astoria, Oregon
1:40 p.m.	<i>Scandia Dancers</i> , Astoria, Oregon
2:00 p.m.	<i>Kantele of Naselle</i> Wilho Saari, Naselle, Washington
2:20 p.m.	<i>"Scandinavian Country"</i>
2:50 p.m.	<i>Ralph Robr & Ray Motto</i>
3:20 p.m.	<i>Hey Guys and Gals</i> Aloha, Oregon

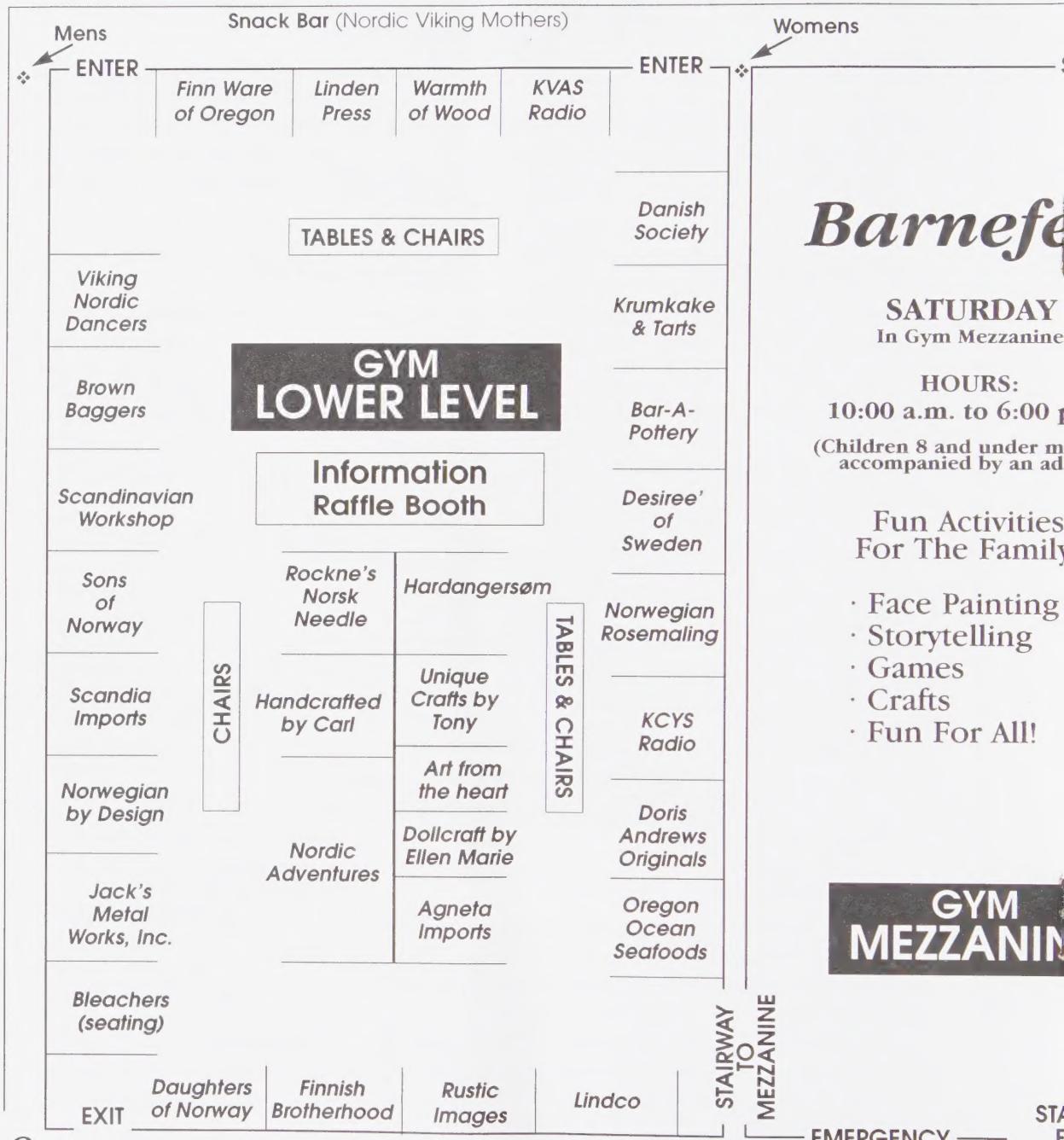
AUDITORIUM

1:00 p.m.	<i>Musical Jam Session</i>
1:40 p.m.	<i>Kantsantansijat</i> Eugene, Oregon
2:05 p.m.	<i>Kantele of Naselle</i> Wilho Saari, Naselle, Washington
2:25 p.m.	<i>Nordlys</i> Hillsboro, Oregon
2:50 p.m.	<i>VASA "Rosebuds" Youth Group</i>
3:10 p.m.	<i>Arne Skogland</i> Accordion Music - Lake Oswego, Oregon
3:30 p.m.	<i>Nordiska Folkdancers</i> Seattle, Washington
4:10 p.m.	<i>Carlson & Barnes</i>
4:30 p.m.	<i>Spirit Sing</i> Directed by Alexandra Lee Howard Myers
5:00 p.m.	<i>Katrille Finnish Folkdancers</i> Seattle, Washington
5:25 p.m.	<i>Nordic Dancers</i> Astoria, Oregon
5:45 p.m.	<i>Viking Dancers</i> Astoria, Oregon

SUNDAY

AUDITORIUM

1:00 p.m.	<i>"SMILIN' SCANDINAVIANS"</i>
2:00 p.m.	<i>Doris Osgood</i>
2:40 p.m.	<i>Nysallen Kantelet</i> Wilho Saari, Naselle, Washington
3:00 p.m.	<i>Nordic Dancers</i> , Astoria, Oregon
3:15 p.m.	<i>Viking Dancers</i> , Astoria, Oregon
3:30 p.m.	<i>Scandia Dancers</i> , Astoria, Oregon
4:00 p.m.	<i>Closing Ceremony</i>



TURNAROUND



TABLES & CHAIRS

OUTSIDE BREEZEWAY

The Next Step

DOOR TO GYM →

My Mom's
Pie

Immigrants
Corner

Aagesen's
Imports

Ft. Stevens
Strawberry
Shortcake

Door

Bobbi
Berg

Finntrade

Lois Tivey

Scandinavian
Door Harps

Tonny's
Dolls

Myron &
Mary
Nelson

Door

Kingdom
Jewels

Maki
Crafts

Rainbow
Originals

Other
Lands

T & M
Enterprises

Inkeri of
Finland

Door

Let's Talk Scandinavian!

SATURDAY

ROOM 006

2:30 to 3:30 FINNISH
3:45 to 4:45 DANISH/NORWEGIAN

HALLWAY TO GYM →

V-N
Snack
Booth

Sausage Tent

MAP LEGEND

- * Admission Areas
- ❖ Restrooms

Beer
Garden

Let's Talk Scandinavian!
SATURDAY
2:30 to 3:30 SWEDISH

Cafeteria

Woodshop

Let's Talk Scandinavian!
SATURDAY - ROOM 006
2:30 to 3:30 FINNISH
3:45 to 4:45 DANISH/NORWEGIAN

Net Mending
Courtyard
Flagraising
Midsummer
Pole

Auditorium

North Yard

Gymnasium

Band
Room

Sundial Travel Scandinavian Films
In Band Room

Sat. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Sun. 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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TAIRWAY
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WER LEVEL

Let's Talk SCANDINAVIAN!

SATURDAY

2:30 to 3:30 - SWEDISH - Cafeteria Hallway

2:30 to 3:30 - FINNISH - Room 006 (Booth Hallway)

3:45 to 4:45 - DANISH & NORWEGIAN - Room 006 (Booth Hallway)

This event, introduced at the Festival last year, was of great interest.

"*Let's Talk Scandinavian!*" is back again this year--with more space!

We invite you to join us.

This is not a language lesson, just an opportunity for anyone, Scandinavian or not, to get together with others and converse in **Danish, Finnish, Norwegian and Swedish**.

There will be a person from the *old country* (each one) to keep the conversation rolling.
Icelanders are welcome!

Strike up a conversation with others in a Scandinavian language!

We may sing a few simple songs too!

Barnefest

SATURDAY
In Gym Mezzanine

HOURS: 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

(Children 8 and under must be accompanied by an adult.)

FUN ACTIVITIES FOR THE FAMILY!

- Face Painting · Storytelling ·
- Games · Crafts · Fun For All! ·

Entertainment

"THE SMILIN' SCANDINAVIANS"



The Smilin' Scandinavians, a polka band, play for stage shows and dances. The band, which began at Seattle's Cornish College of the Arts, has been playing together since May 1995 to an ever-expanding following. They have released two recordings, *Inga in Hi-Fi*, in September 1997 and *The Tom 'n' Toby Show* in July 1999, both on the Lutefisk Records label.

Their repertoire includes the expected (polkas, waltzes, Scandinavian and other European folk tunes), and the unexpected (swing, country, latin, fox trots, YMCA).

The band has gained a reputation for their lively, spirited stage shows and their solid, enjoyable dances which never fail to draw large crowds of polka-happy people. They have been regulars playing at county fairs and festivals throughout Western Washington performing at Polkapalooza, the Cowlitz County Fair, the Everett Sausage Fest, the Ethnic Heritage Festival, the Southwest Washington Fair, and the Western Washington Fair.

The Smilin' Scandinavians are Toby Hanson: bandleader, accordion, vocals; Mike Woolf: tuba; Erick Cohn: drums; Jack LaFond: tenor banjo; Ian Lucero: saxophone; and Emily Cowgill: featured vocalist.

"SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRY"

COREEN BERGHOLM, LEADER

An exciting new group of talented musicians will be performing at The Queen's Ball, Friday evening from 9:00 p.m. to Midnight and throughout the festival weekend. As group leader and accordionist, Coreen Bergholm is joined with Dorothy Mason - Accordion,

Daniel Kennel - Keyboard, Van Kennell - Drummer and Russ Lewis - guitar. Dinah Urell joins in as vocalist. They play Scandinavian dance music and a little mix of country.



Photo (right to left):
Russ Lewis, Coreen Bergholm,
Van Kennell, Dan Kennell
& Dorothy Mason.



JUNIOR & SENIOR
MISS DENMARK

*Brenda Marie West-Nielson
Britta Lisken Anderson*



JUNIOR & SENIOR
MISS FINLAND

*Niina M. Tila
Briita Lynn Blair*



SENIOR COURT
CHAPERONE

Sandy Kalander



JUNIOR COURT
CHAPERONE

Sara Ellen Fulton Orr



JUNIOR & SENIOR
MISS NORWAY
Helen Marie Johnson
Valerie Ann Landwehr



JUNIOR & SENIOR
MISS SWEDEN
Andrea Marlo Phillips
Laurie Rae Kennell



CROWN BEARER
Wilson Orr

A highlight at the Astoria Scandinavian Midsummer Festival is the recognition of an immigrant from each of the five Scandinavian countries. They will be introduced Saturday, June 17, 7:00 p.m. during the Special Program. It has become an annual tradition for the local Scandinavian lodges to honor those that have brought their heritage to our community. It's interesting to hear what prompted them to leave "the old country" and how they have lived their lives here in the United States.

2000 HONORED SCANDINAVIAN IMMIGRANT

Liv Thorsrud Paulsen NORWEGIAN IMMIGRANT



Liv Thorsrud Paulsen was born in Lillehammer, Norway on January 25, 1924. As a young girl, she moved with her family to Porsgrunn, Telemark, Norway where her father was transferred as the Superintendent of the school.

April 9, 1940 is a day she will never forget. That is the day Germany attacked Norway. Her home was occupied for 5 years of German officers while they were still living there. She could tell a lot of stories about those years. She graduated from high school in 1941 and was hired as a Dental Nurse and trained on the job as a Dental Assistant at the School Dental Clinic. While she worked at the clinic she volunteered at the Red Cross "Hjelpecorps" she called it. There they were trained in what to do in case of bombing and to care for the patients in the hospital. She kept the job at the Dental Clinic because the salary was good. Red Cross was volunteer and no pay, but good nursing training. Every time there was an air-raid, she had to put on the Red Cross armband so she could pass the German guards.

Her dad and oldest brother were in the resistance so it was scary times for their family. After the war she met Clemet Paulsen in Oslo. They were married in Porsgrunn in 1947 and came to America on their honeymoon. They got hooked on America and immigrated in 1949. After missing out on their teen years during the war, they were hungry for adventures, discoveries and fun.

They both had relatives in the U.S. and they all invited them to visit. In 1956 they settled in Clatsop County because Clemet started work with Crown Zellerbach. Liv has worked for hospitals in Astoria, Longview, Washington, and Chico, California. She has also worked in different places in Seaside: Bjorklunds, TerHars, Frandson Jewelry and Holladay Place Dept. Store.

Liv has a daughter, Julie, a teacher at Broadway School and a son, Harold, a forester for Willamette Industries. She has 6 grandchildren, and 1 great grandson. She also had twins in 1960, but they are both deceased.

Liv's hobbies are oil painting, sewing, gardening, skiing, walking, dancing aerobics and travel.

Liv and Clemet (who was the Festival's Norwegian Immigrant in 1999) have been visiting Norway about every 3 to 4 years since 1956. They still have lots of relatives over there. Liv is proud to be an American citizen and has had a good life here.

2000 HONORED SCANDINAVIAN IMMIGRANT

Hannele Ranta FINNISH IMMIGRANTS



Hannele was born in Puumala, Finland on March 17, 1954. Jari Ranta visited Finland in 1971. He had been in Florida with his family for 3 years. Hannele and Jari met in Puumala. Jari asked Hannele to come to Florida with him but Hannele refused. Jari returned to Finland next summer and soon they were engaged. When Jari went back to Florida, Hannele came with him this time. Hannele stayed in Florida for 6 months and worked in a large nursery. They returned to Finland where they were married. Jari's mother, 2 sisters and brother also traveled to Finland for the wedding. They made their home in Florida and in 1974, Hannele and Jari moved to Astoria. Jari bought a share in the Astoria Plywood Mill and worked there until the mill closed. Hannele worked for Bumble Bee Seafood Company until its closure. Hannele went to work at Clatsop Care Center and is still working there.

Hannele and Jari have 2 boys, Mika, born in 1978 and Simo, born in 1980. Mika lives in Spokane, Washington and Simo lives in Denver, Colorado.

Hannele is known for her delicious cooking. She likes to fish, read and do handicrafts. She is a member of the Finnish Brotherhood, Ladies of Kaleva and the Finnish Free Church.

Kai Nyberg SWEDISH IMMIGRANT

Kai was born in Tojby, Finland to John and Linda Nyberg on November 28, 1940. His family started the process to come to the U.S. in 1949-50. Finland's economy was depressed following WWII. Making a decent living was difficult. Finland had an immigration quota and Kai's father had to have a job and a sponsor before they could come to the U.S. Kai's mother, father, sister, Liz, and brother, Carl and Kai arrived in Astoria on the 4th of July, 1952.

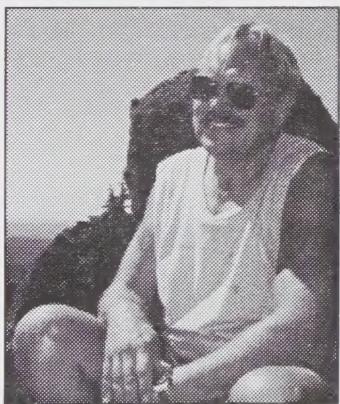
Kai's maternal grandmother was born in Sweden and his maternal grandfather was born in Finland. His father's parents were both born in Finland. Their Nyberg family tree has been traced to the 1600s. Swedish kings would send loggers to Finland to cut timber for their ships. The community where they lived in Finland is the most densely populated Swedish-speaking community in the world. Approximately 98% of the population is Swedish. About 6% of Finland's total population are Swede-Finns.

Kai attended schools in Astoria and graduated in 1961. He joined the Marine Corps after high school and served for 3 years. He went to work for Bumble Bee Seafood for 1 1/2 years and in 1966, went to

work for Crown Zellerbach's Wauna Mill. Kai retired in 1996 and moved with his family to Bend, Oregon.

Kai's family consists of his wife, Becky, oldest son, Kirk (34), daughters Colleen and Carin (both 29) and youngest son, Kevin (17). His oldest daughter Marcy (31), son-in-law Kurt and 3 grandkids, Joel (12), Korey (10), and Kiersten (4) also live in Bend.

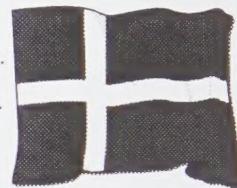
Kai has been back to Finland and Sweden visiting relatives in 1986 and 1991. His hobbies and activities since retiring are: babysitting his granddaughter, downhill skiing, snow shoeing, hiking, biking and yard work. Kai is also active in their church.



Flags of Scandinavia

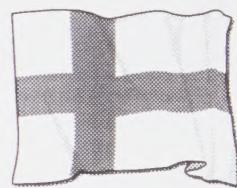
DENMARK, EUROPE'S OLDEST MONARCHY

Denmark, the oldest monarchy in Europe, also has the oldest flag. It is called "Dannebrog". It is thought that this flag, showing a white cross on a red field, was a gift from the Pope for the 13th century crusade against eastern pagans. The earliest account of the use of Dannebrog dates back to the 1500's, with the flag established as a naval ensign. It became the standard of the Danish Army in 1842. The name, Dannebrog, probably derives from the Frisian words "dan" meaning red, and "broge" which originally meant a colored cloth. Although the Faroe Islands belong to Denmark, they fly their own flag. It has a small red cross within a larger blue cross over a white field.



FINLAND, INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC IN 1917

The Finnish flag features a blue cross on a white field. According to tradition, the design was proposed by poet, Sakari Topelius, in the 1860's. He said that the colors symbolized "the blue of our lakes and the white snow of our winters." It was made official about six months after Finland achieved its independence after World War I. The Aland Islands are between Finland and Sweden. They are mostly populated by people of Swedish descent but administered by Finland. The flag of the Aland Islands shows this blend with a small red cross within a larger yellow cross over a blue field.



ICELAND, INDEPENDENT REPUBLIC IN 1944

Iceland was a Danish possession during the 1800's, became a state of Denmark and finally was made independent in 1944. Its national flag consists of a small red cross within a larger white cross over a blue field. The blue represents the sky, the white is the prominent snow, and the red symbolizes the fiery volcanoes. This flag was used when Iceland gained its independence.



NORWAY, A CONSTITUTIONAL MONARCHY

After being ruled by Denmark from the 14th century until 1814 and then united with Sweden for nearly a century, Norway became an independent country in 1905. The present design of a small blue cross within a larger white cross over a field of red appeared as the merchant ensign in the 1820's. It was not used nationally until the late 1890's and became the official national flag in 1905.



SWEDEN, CONSTITUTIONAL MONARCHY

Sweden's flag with the yellow cross and the light blue field is probably derived from an ancient state coat-of-arms. In 1569, Johan III wished that the gilded (yellow) cross of the traditional coat-of-arms should appear on all Swedish banners, standards and flags. During the reign of King Gustav Adolphus, this design became the Swedish naval ensign. The current design was made official in 1906.



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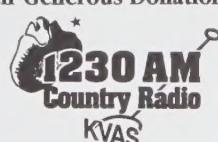
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